

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

- 1        1. (Currently Amended) An audio device for providing musical signals to a user, comprising:
  - 2            a) at least one transducer, such that said transducer enables music to be heard by said user via transcutaneous bone conduction;
  - 3            b) a means for said at least one transducer to be in vibratory contact with the head of said user; and
  - 4            c) a housing means for ~~waterproofing~~ housing said at least one transducer.
- 1        2. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 1, wherein said at least one transducer includes a plurality of transducers.
- 1        3. (Currently Amended) The audio device according to claim [[1]] 2, wherein said plurality of transducers is arranged in an array.
- 1        4. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 2, wherein the musical frequency range is split into three frequency channels.
- 1        5. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 4, wherein said three frequency channels consist of:
  - 2            a) a low frequency range,
  - 3            b) a mid frequency range, and
  - 4            c) high frequency range.
- 1        6. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 3, wherein at least one of said transducers in said array is an ultrasonic transducer.

- 1        7. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 3, wherein at least one of  
2                said transducers in said array is a vibrotactile transducer.
  
- 1        8. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 1, further including at least  
2                one amplifier.
  
- 1        9. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 1, wherein at least one of  
2                said transducers is positionable at the front of the head of said user.
  
- 1        10. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 1, wherein at least one of  
2                said transducers in said array is positionable at the back of the head of said user.
  
- 1        11. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 1, wherein said transducer is  
2                associated with a band that encircles the head of a user.
  
- 1        12. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 1, wherein said transducer is  
2                associated with a hat that is worn on the head of the said user.
  
- 1        13. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 1, wherein said transducer is  
2                associated with a helmet that is worn on the head of said user.
  
- 1        14. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 1, wherein said transducer is  
2                associated with a band of recreational eye wear selected from the group consisting of  
3                swim goggles, ski goggles, snorkel mask, and sun glasses.
  
- 1        15. (Previously Presented) The audio according to claim 5, wherein said low frequency range  
2                volume is adjustable.
  
- 1        16. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 5, wherein said mid  
2                frequency range volume is adjustable.
  
- 1        17. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 5, wherein said high  
2                frequency range volume is adjustable.

- 3       18. (Previously Presented) The audio device according to claim 1, wherein said mid  
4              frequency range has a fixed maximum signal level of 90 dBA for 8 hours.
- 1       19. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 1, wherein said waterproof recreational  
2              audio device transmits a musical signal of a high fidelity frequency response across a  
3              broad frequency range where there is:  
4              a)     a low frequency response is in the range of 40-1000 Hz;  
5              b)     a mid frequency response is in the range of 250-6000 Hz; and  
6              c)     a high frequency response is in the range of 5000-20,000 Hz.
- 1       20. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 19, wherein said at least one transducer  
2              includes an ultrasonic transducer
- 1       21. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 19, wherein said at least one transducer  
2              includes a vibrotactile transducer.
- 1       22. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 19, wherein said waterproof  
2              recreational audio device includes an adjusting capability for the mid range frequency  
3              response, such that:  
4              a)     said mid frequency range volume can be adjusted to allow environmental noise to  
5                  be heard by the user;  
6              b)     said mid frequency range has a fixed minimum level to minimize nuisance noise  
7                  for individuals near said waterproof recreational device; and  
8              c)     said mid range has a fixed maximum level to restrict harmful dB noise levels for  
9                  user.
- 1       23. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 19, wherein a volume of said low  
2              frequency range is adjustable.
- 1       24. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 19, wherein a volume of said mid  
2              frequency range is adjustable.

- 1 25. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 19, wherein a volume of said high  
2 frequency is adjustable.

1 26. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 19, wherein said mid frequency range  
2 has a fixed maximum signal level of 90 dBA for 8 hours.

1 27. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 1 further comprising a sound source in  
2 communication with said at least one transducer, said sound source generating a music  
3 signal which is received by said at least one transducer.

1 28. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 27 wherein said communication  
2 between said sound source and said at least one transducer is via a wired connection.

1 29. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 27 wherein said communication  
2 between said sound source and said at least one transducer is via a wireless connection.

1 30. (Previously Presented) The audio video of claim 27 wherein said sound source is affixed  
2 to said means for said at least one transducer to be in contact with the head of said user.

1 31. (Previously Presented) The audio device of claim 27 wherein said sound source is  
2 selected from the group consisting of MP3 player, tape player, radio, audio transceiver,  
3 and disc player.

1 32. (Previously Presented) A recreational audio device, comprising :  
2 a) at least one transducer which enables music to be heard by a user via  
3 transcutaneous bone conduction; and  
4 b) a support which supports said at least one transducer in contact with a head of a  
5 user at a plurality of locations around the head of said user.

1 33. (Original) The recreational audio device according to claim 32 wherein said at least one  
2 transducer includes a plurality of transducers.

- 1       34. (Original) The recreational audio device according to claim 32 wherein said at least one  
2                  transducer can be removed from said support and re-positioned at least one different  
3                  location on said support.
- 1       35. (Original) The recreational audio device according to claim 32 wherein said at least one  
2                  transducer can slide to different locations on said support.
- 1       36. (Original) The recreational audio device according to claim 32 wherein said support can  
2                  be oriented at multiple orientations relative to a head of a user.
- 1       37. (Original) The recreational audio device of claim 36 wherein said support is a head band.
- 1       38. (Original) The recreational audio device of claim 32 further comprising waterproofing for  
2                  said at least one transducer.
- 1       39. (Original) The recreational audio device of claim 32 further comprising a sound source  
2                  for conveying musical signals to said at least one transducer.
- 1       40. (Previously Presented) A method for a user to listen to music via transcutaneous bone  
2                  conduction, comprising the steps of:  
3                      a) supplying musical signals from a source to at least one transducer capable of  
4                          transcutaneous bone conduction;  
5                      b) contacting a user's head with said at least one transducer; and  
6                      c) transmitting by transcutaneous bone conduction said musical signal to the user.
- 1       41. (Original) The method recited in claim 40, further comprising a step of tuning musical  
2                  sound heard by a user.
- 1       42. (Original) The method of claim 41 wherein said step of tuning comprises changing point  
2                  of contact of at least one transducer on a user's head.
- 1       43. (Original) The method of claim 42 wherein changing is accomplished by repositioning a  
2                  support which supports said at least one transducer on said user's head.

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- 3       44. (Original) The method of claim 42 wherein changing is accomplished by repositioning  
4            said at least one transducer on a support which supports said at least one transducer.
- 1       45. (Original) The method of claim 42 wherein changing is accomplished by sliding said at  
2            least one transducer to a different location on a support which supports said at least one  
3            transducer.
- 1       46. (Original) The method of claim 40 comprising adjusting volume of at least one a high,  
2            mid, or low frequency transmitted via transcutaneous bone conduction via said at least  
3            one transducer.
- 1       47. (Original) The method of claim 40 further comprising limiting a mid frequency range has  
2            a fixed maximum signal level of 90 dBA for 8 hours.